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Our ref: PAS/CS/25749
Your ref: F/ic

Dear Sirs,

Canadian Patent Application No. 431737
Philip Morris Inc. (PM 1039) - Our file:25749

We refer to Mr. Palmer's letter of 19th December which was copied to you in which he asked us to instruct you regarding the response to the official action dated 22nd October 1984.

The information necessary to deal with the objection under Rule 22 is given in Mr. Palmer's letter. As regards the claims, we propose the substitution for the existing claims of the attached new set. In this new set of claims, Claims 1 and 2 are unaltered. Claim 3 has been reworded in line with the main claim in the European application. Claim 5 has been cancelled as an independent claim and in part replaced by a new claim 8. Accordingly Claims 5, 6 and 7 of the new set correspond generally with previous Claims 6, 7 and 8 but incorporate minor changes as does Claim 4. The remaining claims correspond generally with the previous claims though with some changes in appendancies and minor rewording.

We have assumed in the preceding paragraph that the Canadian claims correspond with the text of the U.S. application. We do not actually have a copy of the Canadian application as filed and we should be glad if you could advise us whether it is identical with the U.S. case or whether any changes were made.

In case you did not receive copies we attach copies of the Notice of References cited from the U.S. case consisting of two sheets listing a large number of citations.

Yours faithfully,

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Claims
Notice of References in USA

cc.Mr.Arthur I.Palmer, Philip Morris Inc.

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